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To our wel-beloued friends, to whom this present Writing shall come. Wee the *Maior, Iustices, Minister, Aldermen,* and *Burgesses* of the Borough of *Banbury* in the County of *Oxon.* with all welfare and happinesse.

OVr grieuous losse, we presume, hath sufficiently beene witnessed by too true report, which imboldneth vs to seeke to you, as feeling members, for relieſe. The Kings mercy in granting Letters Patents, hath beene so many wayes abused, that in the generall (we know) it hath much dulled the edge of mens liberality, especially to places remote: Might wee haue beene permitted therefore, our Letters onely should haue made relation of our lamentable condition, and petitioned your supplyes; but seeing the roade way is the safest and most vsuall in these euill euents, wee make bold to send both together. A fearefull fire of late furiously raging amongst vs, hath consumed so much, that, vnlesse to spectators, it may seeme incredible: but if our honest credits may be a sufficient testimony, wee assure you, all the particulars in his Highnesse Letters Patents mentioned, and in the Brieſes thereof, are true; and the losses (though therein rated at *Twentie thousand pounds*) are rather farre vnder, than one whit ouer-valued. The number of our poore was great before, but is now increased, and the substance of those that did relieue them, by this accident is much diminished. We doubt not therefore, but in this extremity you will extend your charity, promising our Prayers, to intreat him that can giue and take at his pleasure, to blesse you with such continuall safety and prosperity, that you may be alwayes so happy, as to giue, rather then receiue. And thus presenting the sighes, groanes, and teares of all these miserable afflicted Christians, (now left harbourlesse and succourlesse) to your charitable considerations. Wee humbly take leaue, with such respects as euery of your places and qualities require. Resting,

From our distressed Towne of *Banbury*,
Iulij. 1628.

Your louing friends and wel-wishers,

Epiphan Hill, Maior.
William Whately, Minister.
William Knight, Iustice of the Peace.

Iohn Gill.
Thomas Whately.
Iohn Nichols.
} *Iustices* of the Peace, and *Aldermen.*

Thomas Webb.
Robert Russell.
Thomas Halhed.
Richard Viuers.
Edward Wisdome.
Iohn Austen.
Henry Halhed.
George Robbins.
} *Aldermen.*

Edward Man.
Edmund Smalbone.
Mathew Alsop.
William Allen.
Francis Andrew.
Iohn Turton.
} *Capitall Burgesses.*

To all *Ministers*, and other our louing friends and wel-willers.

Wee the neighbour bordering *Ministers* of *Banbury*, whose names are subscribed, hauing seene and viewed the lamentable ruines thereof; and being truely perswaded of the truth of this Certificate, in each particular, earnestly desire your Christian forwardnesse and furtherance, towards the relieſe of these poore distressed *Inhabitants*.

John Dod.
Robert Cleaver.
William Wood.
James Walbancke.
Roger Mathew.
Thomas Lodge.
Ralph Taylor.

This is Printed by a *Letter*, to which they haue subscribed their owne hands.